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A young competitor gives a final pep talk to her dogs before the youth/novice race held at the 2019 Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby on Jan. 19 and 20. / SUE TIFFIN Staff

Pinestone hosts dogsled derby

Ron Murphy from Canoe FM braved the cold to MC the races at the Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby held Jan. 19 and 20. Murphy announced teams at the start line, and also drew attention to teams coming in to the finish line as they raced around the pond on the Pinestone Resort property.

Spectators watch as teams cross the finish line at the Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby.

The 2019 Haliburton Dogsled Derby held on the grounds of the Pinestone Resort in Haliburton from Jan. 19 to 20 included races involving one, two, four, six or eight dogs.

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Haliburton audience invited to let loose with Julian Taylor Band

JENN WATT
County Life Editor

Julian Taylor first started playing guitar while staying at Kilcoo Camp as a 10-year-old.

"Kilcoo would have been one of the first places I played the guitar. My cousin loaned me her guitar, because I really was interested in folk music," Taylor recalls. "At home I listened to jazz and R&B and soul and that stuff, but when I got to school I found that a lot of the kids were listening to other things. My upbringing and space was different than theirs. They were listening to rock and roll and folk music."

He learned to play "Knockin' on Heaven's Door" by Bob Dylan.

Although his father was a classical pianist, Julian was drawn to the instrument that allowed him to easily move from one locale to the next.

"I remember a friend of mine at Kilcoo teaching me some chords and learning that song and then playing it at the campfire. I told my dad playing guitar was the way I wanted to go because you can't bring a piano to a party unless there's one there and that was it."

Three decades later, Taylor not only brings the guitar to the party, he brings the whole band.

On Saturday, Feb. 9, the Julian Taylor Band will be performing at the Haliburton Legion, bringing their eclectic menu of music to the Haliburton County Folk Society concert.

Six members of the band will be performing: sax, keyboard, guitar, bass, drums and vocals.

Sue Shikaze, an organizer from the folk society, said the concert's been in the works since 2017.

"Julian has been on our wish list of artists for a few years. He has a foot in the folk world, as he has been a regular attendee at the annual Folk Music Ontario conference, and some of our committee members have seen him perform there acoustically," she said via email.

"We decided we wanted to include a concert/dance in this season's concert line up, and his band was at the top of the list. We thought it would be the perfect event for February – dance away the mid-winter blues! We also wanted an act that would appeal to a bit younger of an audience in addition to our usual crowd. I think they fit the bill perfectly."

Taylor said the band's smorgasbord of sound comes partially from the rich cultural mosaic of Toronto and partially from the band members' musical backgrounds.

"An author here in Toronto ... Robert Priest, the poet said I'm not necessarily a revivalist, but a revisionist, taking flavours of songs and genres and moments of my life, literature and all that and combining it into something fresh and new," he said.

There are elements of many genres in the music they create, from blues and country to rock and jazz.

"I come from a family that migrated here from the Caribbean – that's my dad's side of the family. They came from all over the Caribbean. My dad was born in Antigua … then my mom's family is from here – they're Indigenous; they're Mohawk," Taylor said.

Both Caribbean and Mohawk cultures have strong oral traditions anchored in the importance of storytelling, which has influenced his song writing.

"Folk music and folklore become very important to both of those cultures, which really in the sense of the word turns into Americana," he said.

The Julian Taylor Band is the second musical incarnation for Taylor, who was part of Staggered Crossing, a Canadian roots rock band, active between 1996 and 2007.

Taylor said he's learned to see the world from multiple viewpoints through music. He said he tries to get people to be open to all genres. He chuckles when he remembers times he's surprised audiences with the breadth of his repertoire, switching from Bob Marley to Garth Brooks or Johnny Cash.

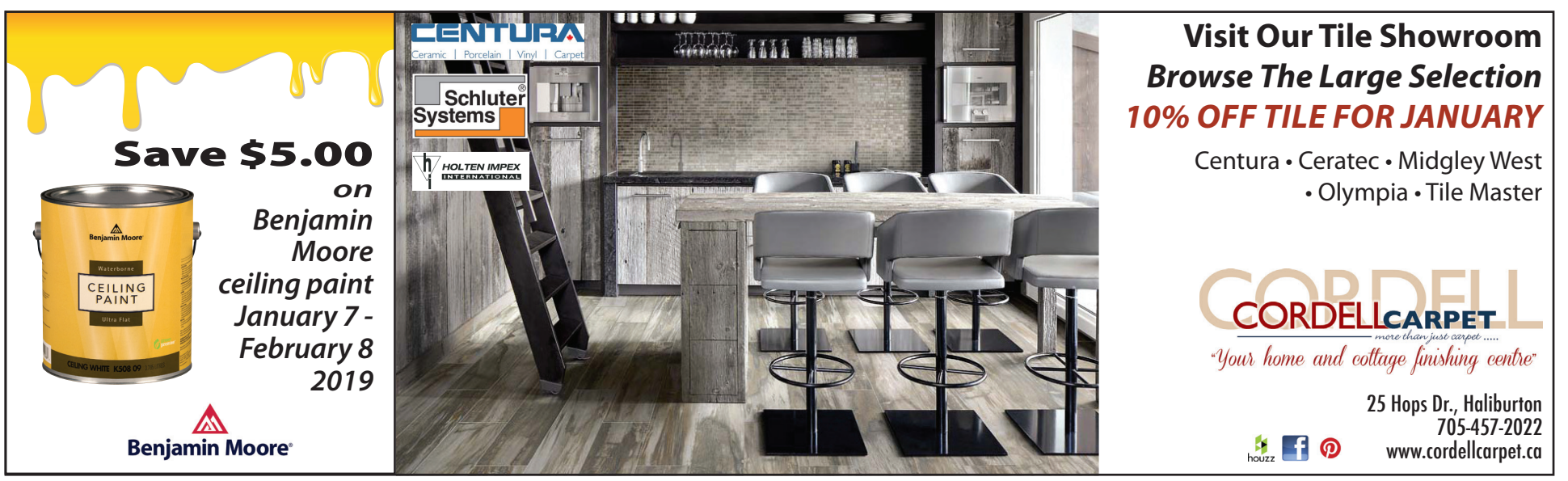
"What I've been trying to do with my music is stop people from listening with their eyes. Just enjoy it, it's music," he said.

When his band plays in Haliburton, Taylor said his first priority is to create an atmosphere where people can relax.

"I hope that they come and, number one, enjoy themselves and have a time to let loose, to dance a little bit, to think a little bit, to cry, to laugh," he said.

The Julian Taylor Band will be performing at the Haliburton Legion on Saturday, Feb. 9. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 7:30. Special guests: Benton Brown and Nick Russell. You can buy tickets at Organic Times in Minden or The Source in Haliburton or by going online at www.haliburtonfolk.com/concert-series.html. Tickets are $30 each.

Julian Taylor first learned to play guitar while at Kilcoo Camp near Minden as a 10-year-old. Today he leads the Julian Taylor Band, with a versatile repetoire of R&B, folk and rock. Taylor and his band will be playing at the Legion on Saturday, Feb. 9 in Haliburton. /Photo courtesy of the Julian Taylor Band



Highlands food tourism about to take off

JENN WATT
County Life Editor

One of three pillars of Haliburton County's tourism strategy is building and promoting the culinary arts – such as the area's farmers' markets, restaurants, maple syrup, wild edibles and craft breweries.

The seeds have been planted and cultivated, said the county's food tourism co-ordinator Lila Sweet, now it's all about to blossom.

She defined food tourism as: "any time that you travel to get a taste of place in order to get a sense of place."

Sweet led an informal conversation at Haliburton Highlands Brewing on Thursday, Jan. 17, with those who responded to an open invitation to come together and discuss next steps in culinary tourism.

"Haliburton County's food culture is blossoming. We've planted, we've grown. We're just sitting on the cusp of it all being very apparent to the outside. This is our chance to define ourselves. I'm very excited," she said.

Attendees snacked on hors d'oeuvres provided by Abbey Gardens and sampled coffee from County Coffee and sipped beer by Haliburton Highlands Brewing as Tom Regina serenaded the group on his flute.

Sweet said the event was a community building exercise to bring together people who want to take the next steps in building and promoting food tourism.

She played a TED Talk by Pam Warhurst, co-founder of Incredible Edible, based in the U.K. Her talk detailed how a group of volunteers put local food at the heart of the community, building partnerships to improve education, business and community capacity.

They transformed flower gardens to herb gardens and engaged schools, which in turn began teaching agriculture and assisting in the gardening.

After the video, attendees piped up about their ideas for what could be done locally. Some of the ideas from the TED Talk weren't practical for the Highlands, members of the audience said; deer would be likely to mow down any veggie garden not surrounded by a two-metre fence. However, other ideas such as mapping places to buy eggs from the farm gate were considered good first steps.

"Our tourism is a very important piece of the economics in this area and tourism is growing all over the world. It's one of the major driving forces of the economy," Sweet said. "In my opinion, I'd love to see tourism flourish up here and I would really rather that we define ourselves and celebrate what we have instead of having industry moving in and define who we are."

Those involved in the local food industry (and their supporters) came out to a meet and greet at Haliburton Highlands Brewing on Thursday, Jan. 17. They were treated to music by Tom Regina, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and beer samples. They discussed what the next steps in growing the area's food tourism would be. /JENN WATT Staff

Sweet collected names of those interested in participating in the next step, which will be a meeting to discuss creating the Highlands' version of an Incredible Edible movement.

In addition, there will be a Field to Fork meeting for farmers, chefs and producers to meet over beer at Rhubarb Restaurant. Due to poor weather, the event has been rescheduled to Monday, Feb. 4 from 5 to 7 p.m. Terri Mathews-Carl of Rhubarb will present on buying locally.

To confirm dates of upcoming events or to find out more, contact Sweet at 705-286-1839 or email food.tourism@outlook.com.

Safety tips for ice fishing

Many of Ontario's thousands of lakes across the province are host to excellent ice fishing opportunities and Ontario's angling enthusiasts are taking advantage of the great conditions after the recent cold weather. The Ontario Conservation Officers Association would like to remind anglers and anyone venturing on to frozen water bodies to put safety first.

"Winter fishing is the time of year where many anglers are able to access their favourite fishing spots that are inaccessible during the open water season," said the association's president Sean Cronsberry, "but anglers need to be sure that ice conditions are safe and they have the equipment with them to deal with an emergency. By following some simple safety measures, it could save your life, or the life of someone else."

Ice safety tips:

- Check ice thickness and conditions frequently
- Clear ice should be a minimum of 10cm (4") for walking and ice fishing, 12cm (5") for one snowmobile or ATV, 20-30cm (8-12") a car or small pickup, 30-38cm (12-15") for a medium truck (source: Lifesaving Society)
- Fish with a buddy
- Be prepared for an emergency – wear ice picks or a floater/survival suit, and have a whistle and cell phone on hand
- Let someone know where you will be and when you plan to return. This should include where your vehicle will be parked, what route you plan to take and any stops you plan to make.
- Stay off rivers and away from locks, where ice is less stable. Ice conditions in areas of moving water or spring fed lakes can be potentially unsafe at any time, ensure the ice is safe before venturing out.

"Conservation officers across Ontario regularly come across groups or individuals who are ill-equipped should trouble occur," said Cronsberry. "We strongly encourage everyone out on the ice to be prepared and have a plan on how to deal with an emergency. Should an accident occur, being prepared will greatly increase your chance of rescue and survival."

Anglers are reminded to carry valid fishing, snowmobile and ATV licences with them at all times. They should also be sure to review the 2019 Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary, available online and at Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry offices.

Anyone with information about a natural resources or public safety related offence is encouraged to call the MNRF violation reporting line at 1-877-847-7667, contact their local Conservation Officer directly, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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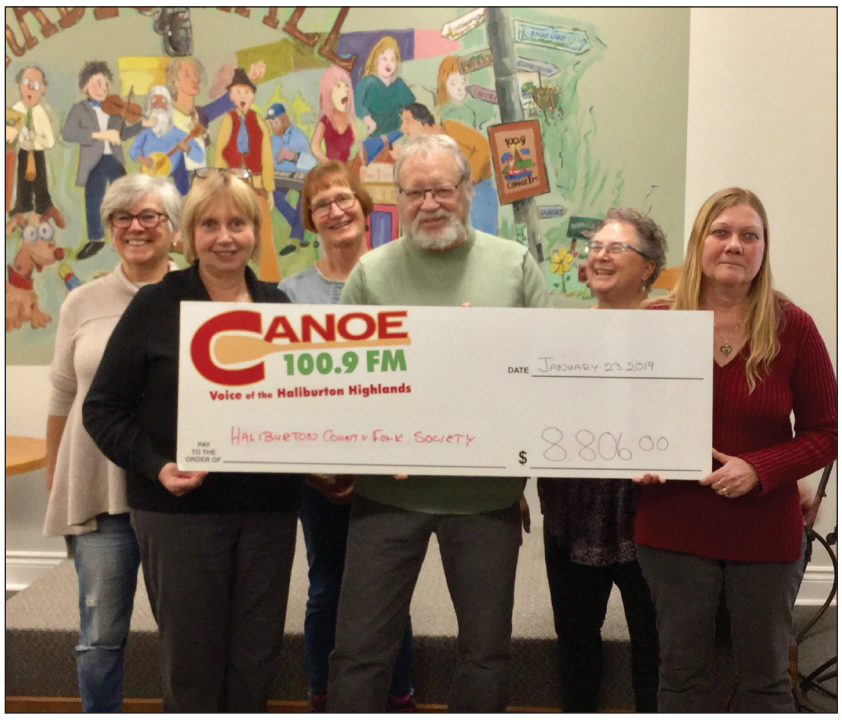
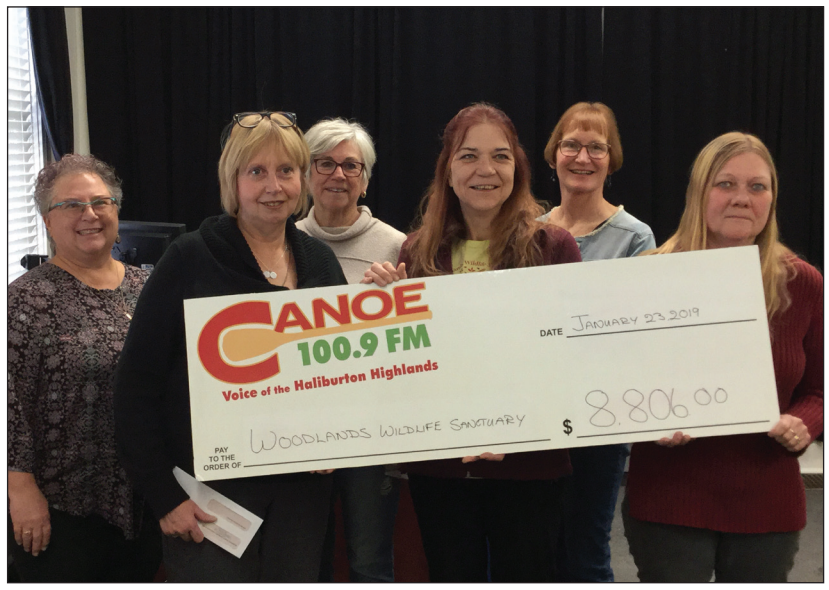
Bingo benefits local groups

The Haliburton County Folk Society got a financial boost from Canoe FM Radio Bingo players last week with a cheque for $8,806. A cheque for the same amount was given to Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary. Proceeds from upcoming games will go to Volunteer Dental Outreach. Radio Bingo airs every Tuesday night beginning at 6 p.m. Each week there are three bingo games played and $800 is given away to lucky winners. Players must be 18 years of age or older to play. /Photo submitted by Roxanne Casey





Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary got some help protecting wild animals through a $8,806 cheque from Canoe FM Radio Bingo. Volunteer Dental Outreach will be the next organization to receive money from the weekly game. /Photo submitted by Roxanne Casey

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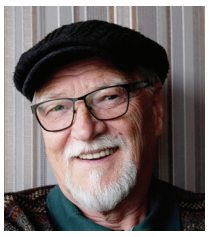
Devil's Edge: A new brewery with historic connections

MANY MICROBREWERIES have popped up all over southern Ontario during the last 10 years or so; and nothing gives me greater pleasure than discovering new craft beers in different communities. In the Highlands we are well represented with Haliburton Highlands Brewing and the Boshkung Brewing Co, and now we can add a third: Devil's Edge Brewery, out of Irondale.

Devil's Edge is a family concern, owned and operated by brothers Claude, Edward, Robert and Wayne Hancock. Wayne's the president of the company, licensed under Hancock's Micro Brewery Ltd. Lucas Ferrill is the brewmaster, and Rick Roffey is assisting in the making of the batches. I spoke with Robert Hancock about the brewery and the name.



GEORGE FARRELL
On Arts/Culture

"We tried for so long to get an LCBO licence to sell beer to local cottagers," Hancock said. "When that wasn't happening we went another route and set up our own microbrewery. We've been at it for six years, and we finally got it up and running in September of 2018."

The microbrewery is located on the premises of Stop 503, the one-stop, general store, gas station, and post office that is the commercial hub of Irondale. Everyone who cottages in the area stops there for one reason or another, and now they can get their beer while shopping or filling up.

"Historically Irondale used to be called Devil's Gap, and Salerno Lake (which is nearby) used to be called Devil's Lake," Hancock said, "so we thought that Devil's Edge was a good name for our brewery."

The historic connection goes even deeper as one of the Devil's Edge beers is called IB&O Pale Ale. The ale is named in honor of the IB&O (Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa) railway line that branched off the Victoria Railway at Howland Junction, just north of Kinmount. The IB&O came to Irondale in 1887, to Wilberforce in 1893, and to Baptiste in 1897. The IB&O reached Bancroft in 1910, going no further.

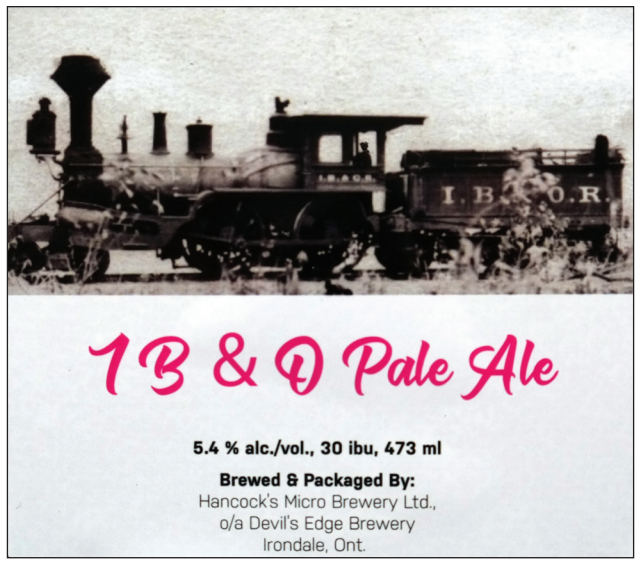
The first train from Kinmount to Bancroft ran on Sept. 12, 1910. From its beginnings, when it transported mainly iron ore and timber, the line eked out a meagre existence until the last train chugged down the line, on March 31, 1960.

The label on the pale ale bottles and cans depicts one of the historic old trains. If you look closely you can see an engineer at the controls of the train. This is significant because Samuel Edward Hancock, the great grandfather of the Hancock brothers was an engineer on the IB&O, and Robert suspects that the engineer at the controls is Samuel.

Right now Devil's Edge is making just two beers: the pale ale and a blonde. The label on the blonde ale depicts a woman pushing a man over the edge of a cliff. The Hancocks would appear to have a devilish sense of humour. The blonde ale is a fine, zesty, everyday beer, good for all occasions, while the pale ale is more of an acquired taste, reminiscent of an English bitter. It goes very well with food. Down the line Devil's Edge will be making a red ale and a sour beer.

The soft opening in September of last year gave the Hancocks the opportunity to test the market in advance of an anticipated busy summer in 2019. Currently they are stockpiling their brews for the summer rush, but before that, in the late spring, there will be an official launch. Devil's Edge specializes in small batches, and in addition to the bottles and cans you can also order by the barrel. Growlers will also appear down the line.

At the present time Devil's Edge products can only be purchased at the Hancocks' microbrewery site, located at 8193 Highway 503 in Irondale. Do yourself a favour, take a drive to Irondale, imagine the days of the old IB&O, and take home some fine beers from our newest microbrewery.



Top 10 reasons to be thankful for strong winds

THIS JANUARY is being accompanied by some very strong winds. This is something that most people do not tend to look favorably upon. But, if you happen to be optimistic like I am, you might find reasons to be thankful for this too. Here are my top 10 reasons to be thankful for strong winds in winter.

1. It lets you know who is wearing a hairpiece.
2. All you need is an umbrella to do a passable Mary Poppins imitation.
3. If you throw against the wind, everything becomes a boomerang.
4. It's fun watching winter campers chase their tents.
5. Paper airplanes can be turned into lethal weapons.
6. No need to exert yourself blowing out a match.
7. Who needs a blow-dryer?
8. Best conditions for miming walking against the wind.
9. Garlic breath will only be noticed by the people 100 yards downwind of you.
10. You can practice whistling and no one will notice.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

The golden hours (lover's nature)

Morning sun beams sideways
Copse is bright spotlit
Golden hours, two, most days
Where sun can squeeze and split

Between the land's horizon
And palette of the sky
It brings a new surprise in
If clouds are not awry

And cover up the solar star
With layers or with rain
So light can't throw itself afar
And shadows can't sustain

But most days' dawns and sundowns
Come splendid with a show
Illuminating like a crown
Of diamonds all aglow

Turns painters all a-manic
Spins writers like a top
Photographers will panic
If cameras aren't chop-chop

Since moments are so fleeting
It's much less than an hour
For each short golden meeting
With nature's highest power

Those astral sunny high-beams
Shoot horizontal shocks
The facing side of birch gleams
Or tall yin-lit hemlocks

The yang-sides are a charcoal black
Tree shadows stretch a mile
Dark-stripe the fields beyond the back
In mirror-image style

The painters, watchers, camera folk
The thinkers, rhymers do
In morning glory's light-show soak
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Barry wins Shrine Lottery

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Bring food. In fact, you look tasty to me and company.

Come dance with me. Do ya like my moves? Or am I too fast for you to keep up with my grooves? Shall we smooch up nice and close? How 'bout I whisper sweet nothings in your ear? I can already feel excitement building in my loins. Perhaps we could skip introductions completely and shift into foreplay? What do you mean I'm not your type?

Oh. I get it … Maybe you have cultural issues? Baby, I am so committed to this relationship that I'm willing to overlook any prejudices you might harbour against my kind. Just let me get under your skin, Baby. I promise you won't be able to resist the itch once I get a hold on you.

Ouch. I cannot believe you just slapped me!

Stop. You're hurting me. You say I'm no good for you?! What do you mean I'm not your friend?

And you say you don't like the crowd I hang out with, either?!

Everyone is my friend.

Uh, Baby… What is that you got in your bag? Yeah... the stuff you're holding and waving around in the air. That stuff is upsetting my appetite. Perhaps you should have waited until after dinner.

Stop that! You're making me sick.

Now look at what you've done.

Don't even feel like partying anymore. Sniff. Sniff. Moan. In fact I feel quite ill and weaker by the minute.

Never thought you capable of such abuse, Baby. Somehow I never saw this coming at all.

Moan...

What a killjoy you turned out to be.

Sighhhhhhh...

We could have been so good together.

By Deborah Murphy

Deborah is a member of the Algonquin Highlands Writers' Circle, https://ahwriterscircleblog.wordpress.com.

Hamlet and an Insane World

The world is a mess, not more so than it was and not more than it will be in the future. In other words, the world has always and always will be a mess.

Some say "it is perfect the way it is" or "it is what it is" or "what happens, happens for a reason" or a variation "whatever happens is supposed to happen."

All very interesting statements and I could defend any one of them. That does not take away from the fact that we live in an insane world, where the rule is not to do what is good for all, but to be in competition and be driven by what is good for the self.

In our mindfulness group we discussed caring for the environment from a Buddhist perspective. Not a fight against pollution and polluters, but encouraging to care for the environment.

We discussed how to keep equanimity when bringing your own bags to the grocery store and still getting a plastic bag for a wet lettuce, so quick that any protest is too late. The lettuce is in the bag and will be thrown out if given back.

"You won't be charged for it."

"No, that's not the point, I don't want any plastic bags, or I would have taken one of the smaller, thin ones and I have no problem with a wet lettuce." Too late.

And not getting upset about someone wheeling out a cart with 20 plastic bags. Equanimity, breathe in, breathe out, peace. We all do the best we can.

And that is just the environment. Look around, watch the news, observe the insanity.

Someone said, talking about the messed-up world: "If you go to see Hamlet, you don't expect everyone to be alive at the end of the play."

I remember a remark at a medical lecture about the occurrence of diseases, we solve one problem, find a cure for a disease and another disease pops up.

There will always be happy moments and there will always be misery. Just don't expect everyone to be alive at the end of Hamlet and don't expect the world to be sane.

By Anje Bruch-Hilkers

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UPCOMING
Community Events

PARISH
HOME INSPECTIONS

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.

Upcoming Events

Gord Kidd & Friend, Scott Russell at the Minden Legion
When: Saturday, Feb. 2, 2 to 5 p.m.
Where Minden Legion
Light lunch
No cover charge. Support your local Legion.

Land Trust Discovery Days - Discover Barnum in Winter
When: Monday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m. to noon
Where: Barnum Creek Nature Reserve (carpooling from Haliburton)
Discover the wonders of the winter at Barnum Creek as you explore on snowshoes! You will learn about the history and ecology of this special property while you get your exercise. Please indicate your need to borrow snowshoes or if you will bring your own. Don't miss this opportunity to explore this newly acquired HHLT property!
Register at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, Feb. 13, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Polar Bear Challenge
When: Saturday Feb. 16
Registration at 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. & Event starts at 1 p.m.
Pledge forms available at Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton Foodland, West Guilford Shopping Centre, Todd's Independent or on-line at haliburtonlions.com
Part of the Frost Festival, and run by the Haliburton and District Lions Club.
For more information, contact Lion Jim Frost at 705-457-4031
All proceeds to the SickKids' Garron Family Cancer Centre or the Haliburton HIghlands Health Services Foundation

Haliburton: Food Handler Course
When: Tuesday, Feb. 26, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Health Unit office (191 Highland St., Unit 301) in Haliburton.
This course teaches participants how to handle and prepare food safely. Upon successful completion, participants receive a certificate (valid for a period of five years) indicating they are registered as a certified food handler. Cost is $40 per person. For more information and to confirm space availability, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577.

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, Feb. 27, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Recurring Events

Lunch is on us!
February is a tough month. Are you feeling the cold, bogged down by bills, going stir crazy? Every Thursday in February, SIRCH Community Services is providing a free, hot lunch in Haliburton Village between 11:00 and 2:00. Eat in or take food home. No charge and (even better) no dishes! First come, first served.
When: Four Thursdays only (Feb 7, 14, 21, 28) … so don't miss it!
Where: At SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria Street.
info@sirch.on.ca www.sirch.on.cach available 12 to 2 p.m.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 Haliburton, Ladies Auxiliary Sunday Breakfast
When: Every 2nd Sunday of the month
Where: Haliburton Legion, Main Hall, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Cost: $6.00
Menu: Eggs of pancakes, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast, orange juice, tea/coffee

Line Dancing
When: Thursday mornings, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall
What: Enjoy exercising body and soul with weekly line dancing. Great physical activity for all levels of dancers. Beginners welcome.
Contact: Jacqui at Clancelinedance@gmail.com

Morning Glories Fitness
Where: Upstairs, A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton
When: Tuesday and Friday mornings, 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.
Ladies fitness group for all levels
Contact: Jane 705-754-9996

Community Drum Circle
Wednesdays 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre Patio, 23 York St. Join the community Drum Circle. Instruments available. Beginners welcome. Family-friendly. Each week a volunteer will facilitate the Circle. By donation in support of Haliburton DrumFest

Pickleball
When: Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton High School Gym.
Cost is $2 and rackets are provided. Bring clean indoor shoes.
Starts Sept 11.
Contact Jennifer Coates 705-749-3787 for further info.

Pickleball
When: Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden
Racquets are provided so all you need are clean indoor shoes. Cost is $2
Contact: Elisha Weiss, Community Development Coordinator,
705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Family Fun Bingo
Every Tuesday at 6 p.m.
At the Kinmount Legion

Harcourt Community Centre
Harcourt Bingo every week on Wednesdays
Doors open at 6:45 and bingo starts at 7:30
Regular euchre night every week on Thursday night starting at 7 p.m.
The new community centre is also air conditioned.

Kinmount Library
The Friends of the Library group have a monthly book sale at the Kinmount Library the third Saturday of every month.

Legion Events

Branch 636 Minden
Monday – Thursday Lunch 12 to 2 p.m.
Tuesday Special liver day, regular menu also.
Friday 12 to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., Fish, Chicken Wings, Fries and Onion Rings.
Daily events:
Monday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Haliburton Highlands Rug Hookers. (every two weeks)
Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Senior art group. 1 to 4 p.m., Bid Euchre,
Wednesday 12 - Meat Draws, 4 butcher quality meats for $1 a ticket. 1 to 4 p.m., Ladies Darts, 5 to 7 p.m. Calorie Counters.
Thursday 7 p.m. Darts. 7 p.m. Euchre
Friday Every second week, Karaoke with Fred and Linda, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday Special Lunch every week with meat Draw at 1 p.m.
Sunday Sports Day 12 to 4:30 p.m.

Branch 624, Wilberforce
Friday Free Pool 1:30 p.m., Ham & Scalloped Dinner 5 to 7 p.m.
Saturday Meat draw 2 to 5 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. Sharp!
Monday Bid Euchre 7 p.m.
Tuesday Executive meeting 7 p.m.,
Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30 p.m.
Upcoming events
Ken MacFarlane Memorial Ice Fish Derby, Saturday, February 23rd - $`15/person – 1 fish entry - weigh in 3-6pm – Participants must be present to collect prizes
Having a event ?? Book our hall and have L.A. cater for you. They do a great job
Want to get involved? Please let myself 705-727-2417 or the legion 705-448-2221 now if you can help.

Branch 129, Haliburton
Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571
Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.
Tuesdays: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start
Bingo Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. - $500 Jackpot, $1,000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.
Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, Mar throught Dec., starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw - 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards
Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 p.m. draw, Tickets are $1 each from noon onwards
Sundays: Breakfast Second Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. $6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705) 457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129.Everyone is welcome!

West Guilford Community Centre
Snow Shuffle
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2019

50/50 FOR ATV & Snowmobile Ride & ADDITIONAL PRIZES

Ride, Lunch, Dinner & Dance $50
Tickets are limited

Ride/Lunch $40
Unlimited tickets
Also available on day of event

Dinner/Dance $40
Tickets are limited

STARTING TIME:
9:30am-12pm
at the Community Centre
Last Checkpoint
Community Centre 5pm
Dinner 6pm
Dance by D. J. Sassy Sandra

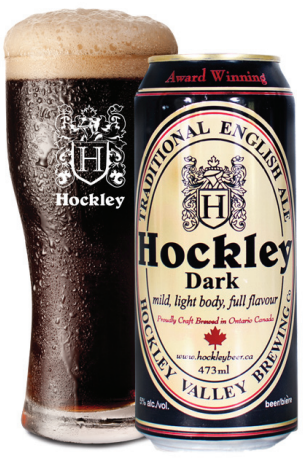
TICKET SALES FOR RIDE, DINNER & DANCE

Limited quantity available at: West Guilford Shopping Centre & West Guilford Auto Centre

Ride ONLY tickets will be sold the day of the event. 9:30am – 12pm at the Community Center. All cards must be drawn by 5pm. No exceptions.

Plus additional prizes to be given 8:30pm

West Guilford Community Center ATV and Snowmobile Ride Dinner & Dance



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- Year round, open-concept 3-bedrooms
- Large wooded, private lot

Drew Bishop** Kristin Bishop* 457-2128 x23

Kennisis Lake $889,000

- Newly renovated bungalow, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath
- Self-Contained Bunkie, great rental history
- Panoramic south west views on Kennisis Lake

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Dagmar Boettcher** 457-5968

Long Lake $569,000

- 1200 s.f. log-style home or cottage with metal roof
- 3 bdrms + 2 baths, main flr laundry, cathedral ceiling
- Many upgrades, charming log interior staircase
- 100 ft waterfront with easy steps to lakeside deck

Kim Butt* 286-2138 x31

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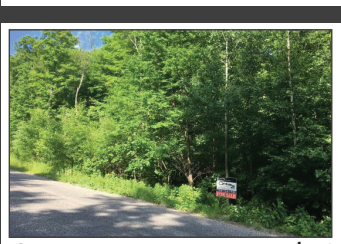
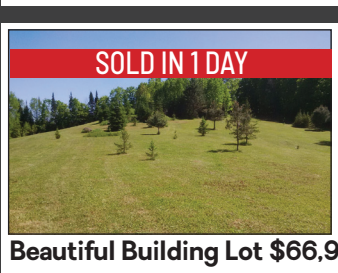
- Call to arrange for an opinion of value
- Call to discuss your purchasing needs
- Call for information about this year's Cottage Life Show



Gloria Carnochan* 754-1932

College Dr Haliburton $76,500

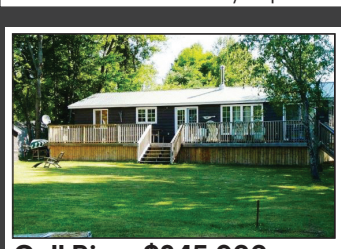
- 5.6 Ac with 745 Ft frontage, W to NW Exp
- Forested, Priv. property, 2 mins to College
- Close 2 Schools, Doctor, Hospital, Shopping



Mark Dennys* 457-0473

Beautiful Building Lot $66,900

- Apprx 3.75 Acres, 209 Ft Frontage
- Private, Driveway Installed, Hydro at Road
- Between Minden & Haliburton



Tom Ecclestone* 286-2138 x 26

Gull River $345,900

- 3-bedroom Cottage on Minden's Gull River
- 1100 sq. feet, open concept living, furnished
- Western exposure, sandy beach and deep water

Lindsay Elder** 457-5878

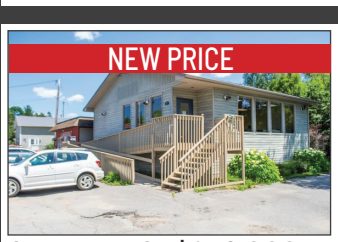
Drag Lake $539,000

- Year round, open concept, 3 bedrooms
- Lovely level lot. 255 feet of private shoreline
- Hard sand beach & deep water off the dock

Lee Gauthier** 489-9968

Algonquin Highlands $194,900

- Updated Interior, 2-bedroom, 2 bath home
- Good highway access & public lake access nearby
- Private level lot, 10 minutes to Minden



Fred Heinzler* 788-5825

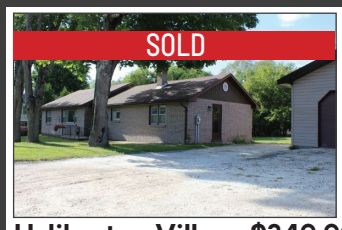
2 Victoria St $379,000

- Commercial waterfront
- Wheelchair accessible ramps
- Town sewers, drilled well

Andrew Hodgson*** 286-2138 x 29

Gull River $369,900

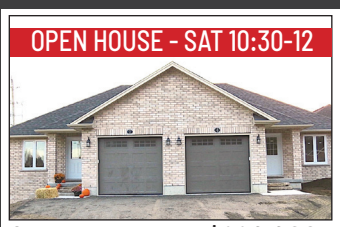
- Lovely 3-bedroom or cottage
- Beautiful property, 350 ft of water frontage
- Deep off the shore, access to 3 lake chain



Susanne James* & Andy Mosher** 457-2128 x 33

Haliburton Village $349,900

- Wonderful home in the heart of the village
- Easy walking distance to shopping, park and schools
- Rare, large private lot, approx. 1/2 acre



Rosemarie Jung* 457-7049

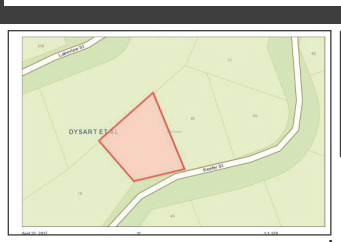
2 Minden Homes $339,900 each

- 1150 sf 2 Bedroom semi-detached bungalows
- Main-floor living on low maintenance lot
- Close to Minden Village, on town water & sewers

David Lee* 286-2138 x 27

Minden Home $199,000

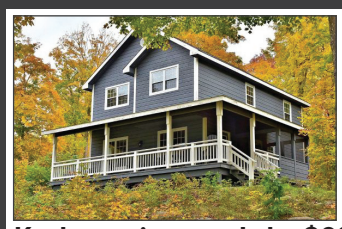
- Great in Town starter or retirement home
- 3 bedrooms fireplace with insert
- Large private deck



Brandon Nimigon* 457-2128 x 27

Haliburton Village Property $34,900

- Lovely lot in quality neighbourhood
- Walking distance to downtown Haliburton
- Utilities are at the lot line and ready to go



Karen Nimigon** 457-2128 x 29

Kashagawigamog Lake $62,000

- Fractional Ownership,4 Season, 3 Bedrooms
- Fixed week, 2nd week of July, & 4 rotating weeks
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Kirsten Rae* 286-2138 x 30

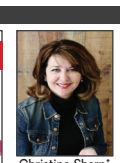
Haliburton Home $599,000

- Stunning house on a 108-acre property
- Private paradise with trails, streams & ponds
- 3000 sq. ft renovated ranch, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths

Darlene Reil* 447-2055

Harcourt Home $239,900

- Unique, must see, 2-bedroom home
- Several out buildings, including studio
- Sitting on over 50 acres



Christine Sharp* 286-2138 x59

Residential Listings

- High demand area
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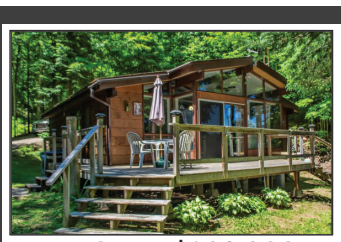
Greg Stamp* 457-2128 x 28

Hunter Creek Estates $139,000

- Recently renovated home with 3 bedrooms
- New flooring, freshly painted, new electric furnace
- Located on a large comer lot, minutes to Minden



Melanie Vigrass* 286-2138 x 32

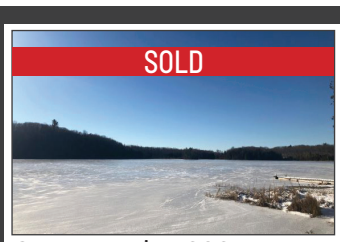
Esson Creek $389,000

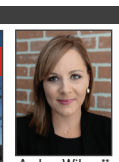
- Clean & tidy year-round home on the water
- Nicely finished 3-bedroom, picturesque property
- Updates include floors, kitchen and bathroom

Lindsay Wilkinson 286-2138 x 23

Deep Bay Rd $369,900

- 5 Bdrm, 3 bath home on 1.5-acre level lot
- Great home for large or growing family
- Minutes from Minden, but not "in town"

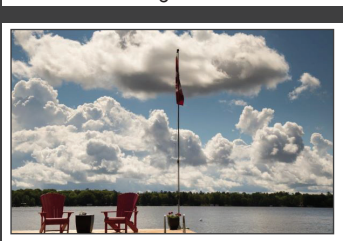




Andrea Wilson** 457-2128 x 25

Cedar Lake $74,000

- Picturesque & private, 4+ acre building lot
- 200 feet of south-facing, natural shoreline



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Bridge is debated

Decision not to replace under fire

The Ingoldsby bridge issue, which once appeared to be settled, is still the focus of opposing viewpoints among county councillors. Council's road committee decided recently to repair the bridge rather than replace it, anticipating that the present, one lane bridge could be made safe for at least five years with steel work repairs costing $6000, plus paint, labour and materials.

The decision was greeted with satisfaction by property owners and cottage associations in the area, who had lobbied against a new bridge, but it angered Anson, Hindon and Minden council, which passed a resolution asking for a report on the factors influencing the decision. And the decision also raised the ire of Dysart et al reeve Murray Fearrey, who last Wednesday took the county roads committee to task on the issue, terming it "short term savings and short term thinking".

Fearrey said the committee should not consider the bridge as an isolated problem, but should look at "the overall picture". Since the county took over the South Kashagawigamog Lake Road, now County Road 18, it has spent almost a million dollars to repair and resurface it, he pointed out. Plans also called for curbs and gutters in the hamlet of Ingoldsby, but these have been given a low priority.

To date, the county has spent approximately $50,000 on engineering fees, expropriation and court costs, Fearrey noted. "Are we just going to throw that away?"

Fearrey said it appears that the county "has lost sight of the overall scope of what we're trying to do with county roads because of dollars".

Roads committee chairman Bill Howe countered that "needs have changed", that growth has been less than was anticipated in a roads needs study completed several years ago, and that County Road 18 "does not have a commercial value". He cited problems with clearance between the proposed new bridge and water in the channel it spans, as well as escalating costs, as reasons for keeping the old bridge in place. The accident rate on the bridge "is zero" Howe said, and most of the heavy vehicles that would use the bridge are county trucks from the Ingoldsby yard.

But Fearrey was not persuaded. "Should people in Ingoldsby expect not to be able to get a cement truck over it forever?" the Dysart reeve asked. He said the 11 ton load limit on the existing bridge presented problems for any large vehicles, including the county's tandem dump trucks and grader.

The concern did not appear to budge the committee from its position. Howe noted that trucks could avoid the bridge and still reach Ingoldsby from Haliburton and Minden along alternate roads.

Discussion expanded to include the county's policy with respect to assuming municipal roads. Fearrey questioned a recent decision to take over the Bobcaygeon Road from Anson, Hindon and Minden, since millions of dollars would have to spent to bring it up to county standards, and traffic counts on the road are very low.

Monmouth reeve Keith Tallman said he too "wondered why" the county would assume the Bobcaygeon Road if dollars were a priority with the committee.

Lutterworth deputy reeve Glynne Lewis also questioned the committee's decision, noting that "there is a perfectly good highway (Hwy. 35) two miles away" which takes traffic in an out of Minden.

But Anson, Hindon and Minden deputy reeve Ed Pergatter [illegible] the assumption of the Bobcaygeon Road. He said it provides access to lakes where development is taking place. He also noted that while AH and M provides 19 percent of the county's budget on an apportionment basis, the municipality has only six percent of the county's roads.

Howe countered that AH and M gets other benefits from its share of county costs, notably county offices and the jobs that go with them.

No conclusions were reached in the discussions. However the road committee agreed to consider the matter further and bring a report back to county council in March.

Radar idea still alive

A decision is not expected until at least March on whether or not Haliburton County council will purchase a mobile radar unit for the Minden OPP.

The matter was to have come to a vote last Wednesday, but only four of 10 municipalities indicated their position on the issue, so council agreed to put the matter off until their next scheduled meeting in March.

Anson, Hindon and Minden and Bicroft municipal councils have said they would be willing to contribute $250 each toward the estimated $2,500 price of the unit. Glamorgan and Dysart et al have rejected the proposal, although individual councillors in those municipalities may not have been against it.

The other six municipalities are being asked to consider the matter within the next month and make their decision known to county clerk Winn Lahay.

If the unit was purchased it would belong to the county, but would be on permanent loan to the Minden OPP. At present the local detachment must share a unit with another detachment, and the provincial government is unwilling to provide a unit for the Minden detachment's exclusive use.

Lutterworth deputy reeve Glynne Lewis described this policy as "stupid" at last Wednesday's meeting. He said the province is "inhibiting the police" and cautioned that "we will pay for it in the end".

Lewis, a former British army major and an expert on terrorism, said "any support for the police is

These snowmobile racers braved frigid temperatures to compete in events sponsored by the Haliburton County snowmobile association in Minden on Saturday. A number of classes were up for grabs in both snowmobile and ATC competitions. The two local riders who took part did well. For complete results see page nine.

Chamber wants more money

It appears to be a long shot at best, but the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce has decided to ask county council for a grant of $104,450 to help meet a projected 1984 budget of $207,550.

The request came at a meeting last Wednesday, and will be considered by council's budget committee in deliberations over the next month or so.

Chamber president Ken Langdon presented a brief to council outlining programs to organization hopes to undertake in 1984. Main aim of the Chamber's marketing plans this year is to give the area a 'higher profile' among prospective vacationers and cottage buyers.

To do this, the Chamber would spend a total of $127,300 on marketing related ventures, as well as $80,250 on administration.

Anticipated programs and their costs are:

- Infomobile program: This is a travelling booth which is set up in shopping malls in the Golden Horseshoe. Total cost to the Chamber for publications and distribution on a cost sharing arrangement with the Central Ontario Travel Association would be $8000.
- Summer accommodation guide: This lists area attractions and accommodations. Printing costs would be $9000.
- Winter directory: These are distributed through ski shops in southern Ontario. Although production costs are $5,200, revenue from advertising would be expected to cover expenses.
- County Directory: Produced by COTA, there is no direct cost to the Chamber.
- County Maps: The Chamber has enough of these on hand for 1984, so no expenditure is planned.

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What can be better than a hot dog fresh from the barbecue after an afternoon of skiing. The Haliburton Highlands Cross Country ski club had a good turnout for a ski and barbecue on Sunday afternoon at the

Deep snow hard on deer, MNR busy with feeding

Ministry of Natural Resources workers have begun an extensive feeding program to help local deer herds cope with severe winter conditions.

Dave Atkinson, Fish and Wildlife supervisor for the Minden District office, says that with at least 60 centimetres of snow on the ground, "it's getting very rough on the deer. Conditions aren't good at all".

Once snow depths reach 20 inches, deer start having trouble", according to Atkinson. The deep snow impedes their ability to move through the bush in search of food. A crust of ice several inches below the surface is making it possible for the animals to travel if they walk slowly, but as soon as they try to move faster, they break through, he said. Fawns can be buried up to their ears with the present snow depths, while larger animals cannot keep their chests above the surface.

Major concentrations of deer at Percy Lake, Kushog Lake and in Hindon Township are being fed a mixture of 50 percent corn and 50 percent oats from feeder bins placed by MNR workers. To date some 15 tons of grain have been consumed.

The local office also employs 'contract feeders', property owners who agree to keep bins stocked with grain provided by the Minden District office. These stations are operating at Haliburton Lake, North Lake, and in Hindon Township.

Two men have been hired on winter job creation programs to assist with trail breaking and feeding efforts, Atkinson said, and the local office hopes to get approval for four more temporary workers to bolster deer assistance efforts.

This year, for the first time, the local program will use a commercially manufactured deer pellet, as well as the grain mixtures. Atkinson said 10 tons of the pellets have been ordered. They are high in protein, minerals and vitamins, and have been used successfully in Manitoba and Minnesota, he said.

Atkinson said a number of area residents have indicated they'd like to assist the feeding program, and those people are expected to be contacted soon.

Once feeding begins it must be continued regularly until the snow melts, he said. At the moment the deer still have some reserves of fat, but by March and April they have used up their stored fat, their metabolism is speeding up, and they need more food.

Aerial surveys of the District have discovered numerous small pockets of deer in addition to the larger concentrations in traditional 'yards'. These small groups may experience starvation this winter because they cannot be reached by MNR workers, Atkinson noted.

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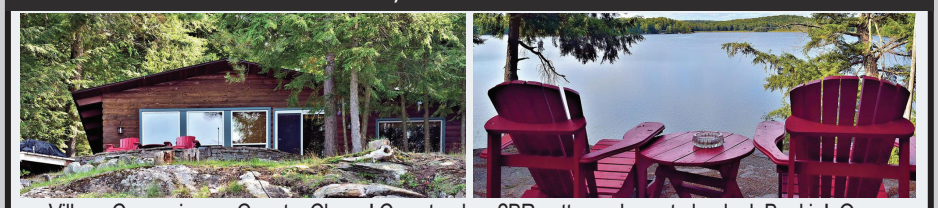

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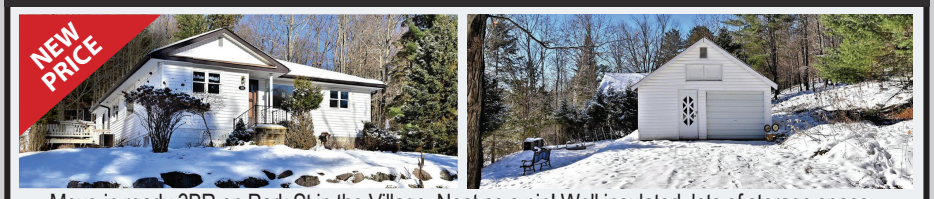

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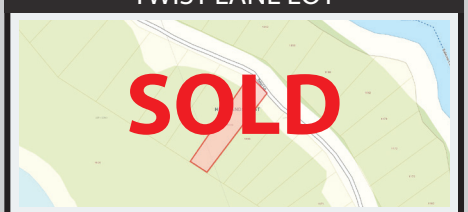

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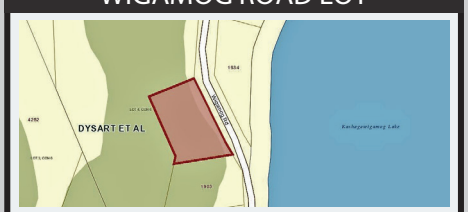

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